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Application No.: 09/820,854

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Examiner: Brian Gordon

For: METHOD FOR VERIFYING AMOUNT OF SAMPLE SOLUTION, METHOD FOR CONTROLLING MEASUREMENT SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MEASURING CONCENTRATION OF SOLUTION IN APPARATUS FOR MEASURING OPTICAL CHARACTERISTIC

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27

Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Independent Claims	5	5	0	\$200.00 =	\$0.00
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 13, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on December 13, 2005, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendment and remarks.

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